

November 15, 2006

Present: Ms. Gae Elfenbein
Mr. John Goerlach
Mr. Paul Boudreau, Town Administrator

The meeting was opened by Ms. Elfenbein at 6:00 p.m.

Warrants: No Warrants

6:00 - 6:15 - Public Comment

Joseph Keifer agent for Petricca and Bill Girard, Tree Warden, regarding a logging permit for a logging operation on Patridge Road, Lanesborough. Motion made by Mr. Goerlach to accept the temporary access permit with revisions, seconded by Ms. Elfenbein. Unanimously voted. Mr. Keifer said that he would fill out the new form and file it on Thursday. LOGGING

Motion made by Mr. Goerlach to accept the minutes of the November 6, 2006 meeting with amendments seconded by Ms. Elfenbein. Unanimously voted. ACCEPTED MINUTES

Round Table discussion, present Bob Pollock, Finance Committee; Anna Pollock and John Friend, Planning Board; Glen Bean, Assessor; Ronald Tinkham, Baker Hill Road District, Joe Scelsi from the Mall, Bill Girard, Tree Warden; Arlene Slote-Davis and Don Davis. Ms. Elfenbein explained that the reason for the round table is to discuss the purchase of the Spring property. Mr. Boudreau went over the details of the purchase and sale agreement and explained the fact that the Town is eligible for up to \$800,000 through Community Development grants. The term senior center is being used because the town has to list a specific use for the grant. The other topic for tonight is the planning grant, which the Planning Board applied for and received. The Planning Grant is going to be used to rework the Town's Zoning By-Laws. The Board of Selectmen will make appointments to a committee to work on the new Zoning By-Laws. ROUND TABLE

Administrator's Report

Mr. Boudreau presented the Board with a purchase and sale agreement for the spring property prepared by Town Counsel, Judy Pickett. The Town has to submit the Central Register. The Board has to have a vote. SPRING PROPERTY

Board had to sign a letter to Town Counsel.
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Mr. Boudreau presented the Board with contract forms for Ms. Elfenbein to sign on behalf of the Board for the planning grant.

PLANNING
BOARD
GRANT

Mr. Boudreau reported that the new highway department employee, Joe Evangelisto has gotten his hoisting license.

HIGHWAY
DEPARTMENT
LABOROR

Mr. Decelles stated that they are going to close Gulf and Quarry Roads on Tuesday.

ROAD
CLOSINGS

Mr. Boudreau reported that he spoke with Mr. Kilhart of the Massachusetts Rural Water Association regarding sewer and water he has done work with the fire and water district. Mr. Boudreau thinks we should do another joint meeting with the water district, sewer commission and selectmen Mr. Boudreau suggested Wednesday December 6, 2006, the Board agreed to the date.

JOINT
MEETING
WATER &
SEWER

Mr. Boudreau reported that the Highway Department will be taking the day after Thanksgiving as a floater.

HIGHWAY
DEPARTMENT

End Administrator's Report

Mail

BRTA notice of meeting to be held Thursday, November 30, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. at the Joseph Scelsi Intermodel Transportation Center in Pittsfield.

BRTA
MEETING

Invoice from the City of Pittsfield regarding unpaid sewer fees owed by the Town of Lanesborough.

UNPAID
SEWER

BRPC notice of meeting to be held Thursday, November 16, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.

BRPC

Notice from the Governor's Office of the date for the Massachusetts Smart Growth Conference which is being held on Friday, December 1, 2006 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Worcester DCU Center.

MASS
SMART GROWTH
CONFERENCE

Correspondence from Mark Bentz notifying the Town

RETIREMENT

of his retirement from his position as Emergency Management Director effective December 31, 2006.
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Correspondence from the Massachusetts Collectors Association stating that the Board Certification of the Association has renewed for an additional period expiring December 31, 2011 the certification of the Treasurer/Collector for the Town of Lanesborough, Donna L. Forgea.

MASS
COLLECTORS
ASSOCIATION

Notice from MassHighway approving the request for an additional \$20,000 for the Bridge Street bridge repair project.

MASSHIGHWAY

Notice from the Massachusetts Municipal Association announcing the winners of their Annual Town Report Contest. Lanesborough's 2006 town report was not a winner.

MMA

Correspondence from Massachusetts Department of Revenue stating that individual towns and cities do not have the power to make excise grants, refunds to owners of fuel-efficient vehicles.

DOR

Motion made by Mr. Goerlach to appoint Marvin W. Michalak, Prudence Barton and Peter H. Gallant, Sr. to the Agricultural Commission, seconded by Ms. Elfenbein. Unanimously voted.

AGRICULTURAL
COMMISSION

End of mail

Old Business

Ms. Elfenbein asked about the status of a separate phone line for the Animal Control officer. Town Secretary reported that Richmond Networkx is going to install a line, which will automatically take a message and forward it to the Animal Control Officer's e-mail address. The cost is about \$22.00 per month with a \$51.00 installation fee.

ANIMAL
CONTROL
OFFICER'S
PHONE LINE

Mr. Goerlach asked if Delsignore had corrected the problems with paving on Brodie Mountain Road. He also stated that the new pavement on Swamp Road does not meet the old pavement smoothly and it should be repair before plowing begins.

SWAMP ROAD
REPAIR

New Business

Ms. Elfenbein asked Mr. Boudreau regarding Article 6 of the warrant regarding the ambulance enterprise fund. Ms. Elfenbein asked where the money is coming from and why is there money available now when there was none before. Deb said that Mark Bentz was doing this work for free and they will need someone to do the work. WARRANT

Mr. Goerlach thinks that the wall in front of Newton's house looks terrible and asked Mr. Boudreau to find out if it is going to be left the way it is or if this is a temporary fix for the winter. ROUTE 7

Ms. Elfenbein asked if the machine being used on the drive-in property is owned by Mr. Condrón. Ms. Elfenbein reported that she spoke with the Building Inspector about the work being done on the property and he thinks that when the roadwork on Route 7 is done then the work on the drive-in property will be done. Ms. Elfenbein also stated that the Building Inspector would like Mr. Boudreau to call MassHighway and find out if the work is under contract with MassHighway. CONDRON

Ms. Elfenbein presented Mr. Goerlach with a copy of a draft of a letter to the Eagle regarding the purchase of property. SPRING PROPERTY

Mr. Goerlach would like to have a perc test done before the purchase of the property. Mr. Boudreau is going to ask Mr. Spring's permission and try to get John Olander to get the perc test done. Ms. Elfenbein asked if Mr. Boudreau had heard from Kelton Burbank regarding the title search. Mr. Boudreau stated that he had not. SPRING PROPERTY PERC TEST

Upon motion made by Mr. Goerlach, seconded by Ms. Elfenbein, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. MEETING ADJOURNED